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WARTIME FOOD BULLETIN

The local wholesale market is well stocked with supplies of tomatoes, cantaloups, and watermelons. These are very reasonable in price, especially the tomatoes and cantaloups, and it would be well to use as many of these as possible right now, because the hot weather of the past few days will help to wind up the local season soon.

Other best buys are beets, cabbage, carrots, corn, onions, peppers, and squash. A good share of these are now coming from Colorado and other surrounding states, as the homegrown season is rapidly drawing to a close.

We are well into the fruit season now, with apples from Arkansas, apricots from California and Washington, cherries from Washington, grapes--those small white ones called Thompson Seedless--from California, nectarines from California, peaches locally grown, plums from California, and this week there were a few yakamines from Washington, a fruit something like an apricot, besides the citrus fruits that stay with us all year.

Supplies of celery increased slightly this week with shipments from California and Oregon and the price declined, but is still in the high price class. Lettuce prices were lower so that it is in the good buy class now.

Oranges, grapefruit and lemons are selling mostly at ceiling prices with the supply moderate, but there are some very good buys in the smaller size oranges which are just as good as the larger ones.

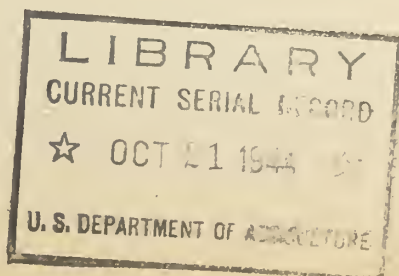
There is some exceptionally fine squash on the market right now. There are the white flat type, the small yellow crooked neck type, the smooth yellow variety called Banana and a few Fordhooks which are yellow with a number of flat sides, and when cooked resemble sweet potatoes in texture, and are very fine. All types are very reasonably priced.

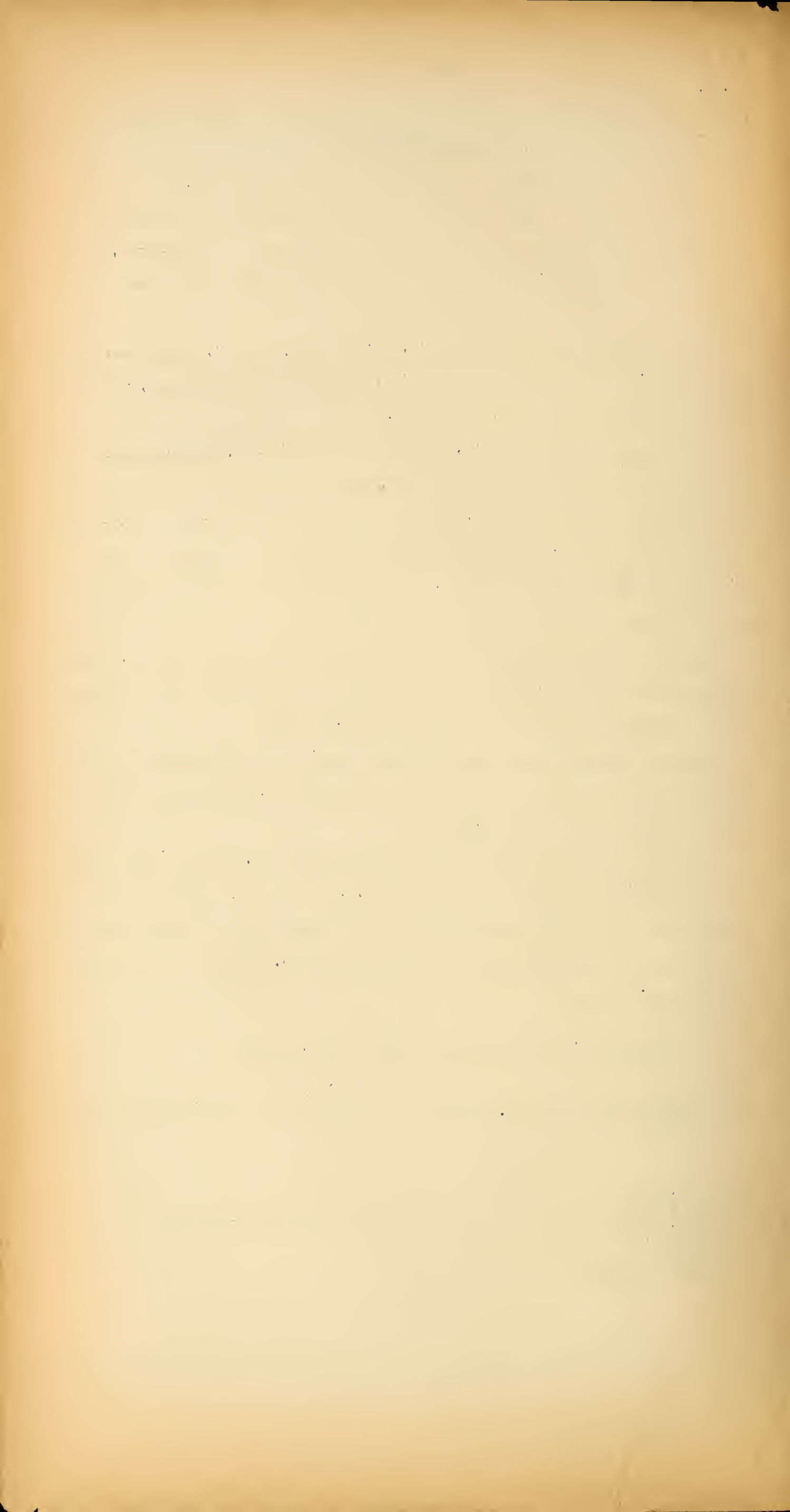
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WARTIME FOOD BULLETIN

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Supplies of cantaloups and watermelons were the heaviest of the season on the local market this week, and were selling very slowly at lower prices. It would seem that they have probably reached their lowest selling point for the season on our market.

As I stated in my bulletin last week, supplies of tomatoes are not as heavy this week as last and the prices have advanced slightly; however there are still good tomatoes on the market, but if you plan to can any more this season you should hurry while they are reasonably priced.

Probably the next best buy is locally grown small yellow crooked neck squash, of which there are good supplies. Then there are lighter supplies of Fordhooks, Banana, and white flat type.

Other best buys for the weekend are green beans, cabbage, cucumbers, lettuce, onions, and peppers.

Supplies of peaches were slightly heavier than they have been, with some shipments from Arkansas in addition to our North Texas supplies. The prices stay very close to the ceilings allowed and are not expected to be any lower this season, but rather should be some higher as shipments come from the sections farther away, which means higher freight charges to be added. The North Texas crop is now nearing the end, and you housewives that plan to can any peaches should not wait for lower priced supplies. Most of the supplies now on the market are Elbertas. These are one of the very best varieties to can because they are freestone, hold their shape so well in the cans, and have exceptionally fine flavor.

Local juice grapes are on the market now in fairly good quantities and are reasonable in price. It would be well to have a few cans on the shelf for the coming Fall and Winter use. Most of California's rasin and juice grapes are now prohibited from being shipped as fresh stock. This takes in the Thompson Seedless which have been on the market recently, but there will be other varieties on the market soon.

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